

by the announcement that Brother Larkins, who came here with his wife the first of the year had died after a few moments of sickness of heart disease. Brother Larkins' lived with their son-in-law and family, Wm. R. Brown who came with them from Lanark, Ill. He was old and was growing feeble. He had so genial a disposition that all had learned to love him. Sister Larkins has been barely able to endure the shock and was unable to attend the funeral. Services conducted by brother D. B. Eby, assisted by Brother Harrison.

I should very much like to accept Brother Flora's invitation to his hospitality at the A. M. at North Manchester, given in last EVANGELIST. The Christian Co-operative Colony will be represented at the meeting. So far as I now know Brother Eby will be the only one going from here, but we expect our brother, Christ Rowland closely associated with the colony work to be on the ground and ready to answer questions.

H. M. LICHTY.

#### Gleanings from the Wayside

In our last communication we stated that we were working in the interest of a bell for the Poplar Grove church. We can now say that it materialized in a five hundred pound bell which we placed in position last Wednesday. It has a splendid tone and can be heard at least seven miles. May it be instrumental in calling some wanderer to the house of worship and thereby from darkness to light and from the power of satan unto God.

It was our privilege thru the invitation of our pastor, Brother Flora, to preach for him in our home congregation, last Sunday night. Good congregations. Things are moving on under Brother Flora's supervision.

Our communion at LaPaz is a thing of the past, and a glorious meeting largely attended, deep spiritual interest manifested itself thru-out the services. It was the closing of our first year's service. May the Lord continue to bless the effort. Thru an invitation of Brother Flora and his people we were permitted to attend this communion at Napanee. Brother Flora will report.

A few weeks ago it was our privilege to preach in the Baptist church at Russiaville, Ind. Good audiences and good interest. Quite a number came over from Salem and Darwin. It was encouraging to have them present when we consider how long we served a part of them as pastor.

This has been a week of excitement as far as crowds are concerned. First, Soldiers' Reunion of 47th Indiana. Second, Decoration services, and third, G. B. annual meeting is upon us now. Every train is bringing large numbers to the ground which is only a short distance from our home. Everything seems to be in readiness for the multitude which will come Sunday on the excursions from every direction, a thing which a few years ago would not be tolerated by this people, but we are living in a progressive age, you know.

Everything points to a good meeting.

They have spared neither time or money in the preparation for the occasion. Hope they may have pleasant weather which will add largely to the success of the meeting. May the Lord bless and crown every effort for good with his heavenly benediction.

WM. W. SUMMERS.

North Manchester, Ind.

#### Philadelphia, Pa.

We have just closed a two week's meeting in Allentown, Pa. The first week the weather was very warm and the congregations rather small, but the second week was cool and the attendance very good. Immediate result, eight by baptism. Our church there now numbers forty. We closed May 29, with communion. Every member attended the communion. Allentown is a strong pedobaptist city of about 35,000 inhabitants. We have to fight hard to get Bible doctrine accepted but they are a class of people when they accept they stick as a rule. We started this work without members or money, and the first communion we numbered 13, now we have forty, not much money yet but a splendid church house and if we keep on paying it off as we have been in the last three years, in seven more years we will be out of debt.

We have a larger Sunday school here than we have in Philadelphia. It is run under the supervision of the church. At our last church business meeting sister Alice Harley was unanimously elected as superintendent. The officers were elected by ballot and every ballot was cast for her.

We will be greatly deceived if in years to come Allentown will not become one of our best and strongest churches in the brotherhood. Financially they have had a struggle from the very beginning, but consecration and faith make up largely for this defect and they raise about three times as much money without any trouble as the ordinary church of equal ability would raise. All this work has been done without a resident pastor and without costing the mission board a dollar.

The brethren and sisters of Philadelphia deserve much praise for the money that they gave to this work, and the time that they gave to their pastor to preach for them. I wish you would pray that the Lord may open up the necessary financial channels to secure them a resident pastor and to pay for their church.

We will have baptism here in Philadelphia Sunday; will report next week.

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#### Kanemorado Echoes

We have just concluded a very pleasant visit with the brethren at Adrian, Mo. This little band of members is under the spiritual oversight of Brother Aaron Showalter who labors under some embarrassments which ought not to be. Brother Showalter is an earnest, devoted Christian with a zeal for every good work, but he is not supported as

he should be by his members in the church work. He has a few good supporters, but there are too many who feel that everything must center in the home work, and that every penny expended must be at home. This is wrong and eliminates the idea of giving entirely. Too many of our brethren have this idea about giving. It would be just as consistent to set up the claim of giving, to the merchant, the groceryman and the taylor. When a man gets value received for his money it is not giving. It is simply paying his debts, and he ought not to whine about it. The evangelist cannot hold a series of meetings in every community in four large states, in a year, nor can a few members remotely situated bear all the expenses of the meetings by the evangelist. We must co-operate. Hence giving for the home work means assisting others remote from us. We must have more of the true missionary spirit among us.

The church or denomination which ignores the mission claims has no right to exist and should take in its shingle and shut up shop. The gospel of Christ is missionary from beginning to end, and "to all the world." As president of our district board, I feel to urge the necessity of all the pastors preaching a rousing sermon on missions to their people and ask them to contribute to the work. "Christian giving" has the promise of the Lord's blessing upon it, and our people will give if properly approached upon the question. It is not enough that I give, but can not I arouse some one else to give? Pastors will you not do your whole duty along this line?

Our district meeting or conference should be claiming our attention brethren, when shall it be held?

A. J. HIXSON.

#### Zion Hill Church, O.

Thru the providential care of Him that doeth all things well, we are enabled to once more send in a report of the Zion Hill Church. On last Saturday afternoon the church met for a business meeting. The business was disposed of in the usual way, and on the 28th, Monday evening, we met to commemorate the sufferings of our adorable Redeemer. The meeting was well attended, especially by the members. A deep spiritual interest seemed to manifest itself thru the entire service. It was indeed a feast to the soul. I feel that I have been very much strengthened for being present at this meeting. We have good news to bring again. The church was made to rejoice by two being added to the church. One was baptized at the business meeting and received in the church. And the other was received before communion by the right hand of fellowship, who had formerly been a member of the G. B. Church. These are both worthy people and we welcome them in the church with all our hearts and hope they will always prove faithful. Brother Kiefer, our pastor, and Brother Jacobs from the Homer Church officiated at the meeting. We truly feel to thank Brother